

School Committee Meeting Book

March 1, 2017 7:00 pm

Town Hall -100 Maple Avenue Selectmen's Meeting Room



AGENDA

March 1, 2017 7:00pm Town Hall—Selectmen's Meeting Room 100 Maple Avenue

<u>Items</u>	Suggested time allotments
I. Public Participation	7:00-7:10
II. Chairperson's Report & Members' Reports	
III. Superintendent's Report	
IV. Time Scheduled Appointments:A. Community Partnership Grant: Vote to AcceptB. SHS Student Advisory Committee: Report	7:10 - 7:20 7:20 - 7:35
V. Curriculum	
VI. Policy A. School Year Calendar for 2017-2018: Vote	7:35 – 7:45
 VII. Finance & Operations A. FY18 Curriculum & Technology Budget Recom B. FY18 Budget: Public Hearing C. FY18 Fees & Tuitions: Recommendation & Pote D. FY17 Budget: Update 	8:00 - 8:30
VIII. Old Business	
IX. New Business A. Shrewsbury Education Association Unit B Control	ract: Vote to Ratify 8:50 – 9:00
X. Approval of Minutes	9:00 – 9:05
XI. Executive Session	
XII. Adjournment	9:05



ITEM NO: I Public Participation

MEETING DATE: **03/01/17**

SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:

Will the School Committee hear thoughts and ideas from the public regarding the operations and the programs of the school system?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Copies of the policy and procedure for Public Participation are available to the public at each School Committee meeting.

ITEM NO: II. Chairperson's Report/Members' Reports

SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:

Will the School Committee hear a report from the Chairperson of the School Committee and other members of the School Committee who may wish to comment on school affairs?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

This agenda item provides an opportunity for the Chairperson and members of the Shrewsbury School Committee to comment on school affairs that are of interest to the community.

STAFF AVAILABLE FOR PRESENTATION:

School Committee Members

Ms. Sandra Fryc, Chairperson

Dr. B. Dale Magee, Vice Chairperson

Mr. Jon Wensky, Secretary

Ms. Erin Canzano, Committee Member

Mr. John Samia, Committee Member

ITEM NO: III. Superintendent's Report

SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:

Will the School Committee hear a report from Dr. Joseph M. Sawyer, Superintendent of Schools?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

This agenda item allows the Superintendent of the Shrewsbury Public Schools to comment informally on the programs and activities of the school system.

STAFF AVAILABLE FOR PRESENTATION:

Dr. Joseph M. Sawyer, Superintendent of Schools

ACTION RECOMMENDED FOR ITEMS I, II, & III:

That the School Committee accept the report and take such action as it deems in the best interest of the school system.



ITEM NO: IV. Time Scheduled Appointments: MEETING DATE: 03/01/17

A. Community Partnership Grant: Vote to Accept

SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:

Will the Committee vote to accept a community partnership grant of \$30,000 from The Home Depot to support Shrewsbury's PreK-8 schools in building a variety of on-site gardening structures and to augment students' opportunities to engage in authentic learning experiences designed to enhance the teaching of the district's science curriculum?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- 1. Home Depot is generously offering a community partnership grant of \$30,000 to support Shrewsbury's PreK-8 schools in building a variety of on-site gardening structures.
- 2. A description of how the funds would be spent at each school location can be found in the enclosed report.
- 3. Ms. Banios and Ms. Frankian will provide information to the committee, and some of Ms. Frankian's students may accompany her.

ACTION RECOMMENDED:

That the Committee vote to accept a community partnership grant of \$30,000 from The Home Depot to fund on-site gardening structures and related programming.

STAFF AVAILABLE FOR PRESENTATION:

Ms. Mary Beth Banios, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction Ms. Kara Frankian, Teacher, Floral Street School



Shrewsbury Public Schools

Mary Beth Banios Assistant Superintendent

Garden Donation from Home Depot

Overview

Home Depot is generously offering a community partnership grant of \$30,000 to support Shrewsbury's PreK-8 schools in building a variety of on-site gardening structures. This donation would augment our students opportunities to engage in authentic learning experiences designed to enhance the teaching of the district's science curriculum. A brief description of how the funds would be spent at each school location can be found in the following section.

A team of dedicated teachers met on 1/17/2017 to share the spending proposals with Scott Selmicki from Home Depot. Each school is being assigned a Team Manager from Home Depot who will work with the school within to further define and develop the plan outlined below. Team Managers will help the building representatives with the development of a materials list and well as tasks lists that need to be accomplished before the build day. Pending School Committee approval, the build date is tentatively set for April 1st and work is underway to solidify a plan for communicating the goals and opportunities for involvement to the public.

Parker Road: Kristin Stewich

Here at Parker Road Preschool our primary goal by expanding our garden will be to continue to build an outdoor classroom/sensory garden that will foster social interaction, build a strong sense of community, build self esteem and a connection with nature. Within each one of these experiences the children will be engaged with essential opportunities to make strong and real connections to a multitude of academic standards from the Massachusetts' Frameworks. The garden will provide our students with real life math, science, language, gross/fine motor, and social/emotional opportunities.

The garden will continue to be accessible and inclusive to all students. We hope to build additional raised beds where we will grow more fruits and vegetables to hopefully share within our school community and beyond. Additional space for seating will be added so that children can sit and draw or work within the garden. We also hope to add additional sensory materials that will engage the student's sense of sight, smell, touch, taste and sound. Our outdoor classroom will continue to

be a therapeutic and calming place to gently stimulate the senses in a setting where our students feel safe and relaxed.

The entire school community has maintained the garden for 4 years now. Watering, weeding, planting is done by all staff and students as needed. Presently, we have a garden committee that includes Kristin Stewich (school nurse), Jenn Vangel (classroom teacher), Maria Grimshaw (SLP), Donna Crowley (classroom assistant), Dominic Ruggiere (community volunteer), Chris Tighe (Home Depot associate), and Scott Selmecki (Home Depot Manager).

Beal: Becky Dumphy

Beal School is planning to have 4 raised beds on the right hand side of the school. Surrounding the raised beds will be walkways that are ADA compliant, allowing all learners to access the gardens. We are also planning for 2 picnic tables that convert into benches to allow for students to record observations about the garden. Classrooms will be able to use this area for science observation, read-a-louds, writing blocks, and many more activities. Classrooms are beginning to discuss the gardens and brainstorming what we would like to grow in the gardens. The classroom teachers that have agreed to be part of the first phase this year are Lynn Pinto, Beth McInerny, and Charlene Costello. Students will be involved in the planning, measuring, researching, planting, caring for these gardens. Over the summer months we plan to involve the families of our students to sign up to water and care for and also harvest from the garden. There will be an irrigation system put in for the gardens to help with the care for the garden. We would love to be able to harvest some of the food and have students bring it to local food banks in our community.

Coolidge: Marci Rubin

Coolidge School is hoping to maintain our current garden beds in front of our school. Our previous project with the garden included 3 raised garden beds, bean plants and sunflower gardens. Our kindergarten students (now first graders) planned and implemented the garden and had a culminating garden party where we were able to host families and harvest some of what we produced. Although this was our first try at this, our intention this year is to engage other grade levels to help maintain our gardens. In addition, we have been working on composting and recycling, and will be asking for materials that will help us with that.

We are also looking to utilize a space outside our cafeteria, that isn't great for garden growth (lack of sun, small area), but we feel would be a great spot for some bird/butterfly attracting cotoneasters. Our other plan is to align this with other science standards that crosses grade levels (such as life cycles and recycling) by creating large sculptures/birdfeeders alongside these plants/shrubs that will be

made from treated wood and recycled bottle caps. We are planning on making 3-4 large sculptures/birdfeeders and 3-4 cotoneaster.

Floral: Kara Frankian

Floral Street School is hoping to create several raised beds in the area next to the existing playground structure. Although the design is not yet formalized, measurements have been taken and students are in the process of creating a full scale map of the area to be certain the lay out will be ADA compliant, Attached at the end of these summaries are the connections to the new science standards. We will establish clear lesson plans that can be simply replicated at each building regardless of the specific set up of the space or the plants chosen for cultivation. At FSS, The beds will initially be maintained and cared for by a combination of the Frankian, Peterson, Young and Richard classrooms with the hope that all classes in grades 1 -3 will eventually take over a growing space. At this point in time, Laura Spangenberg is interested in taking on the compost area of the gardens, working with her students to define what this approach will look like as well as how students can be actively involved. Bob Wilson (art), Joshua Nichols, Sarah Willander (ELL), Liz Ushinski (grade 3), Deb Richard, Amy Leonardson (instructional aides) and David Poe (custodian) have all expressed support for the project and are interested in helping with the planning and to make sure we have a successful plan for care during the summer months. There are 2 classes being proposed that will run a program that has campers directly caring for the beds. During the month of July and we intend line up weekend watering schedules as well as involving the special education programs that work throughout the summer. It will be our goal to have students will help to connect hosing to the bed irrigation system, weed and harvest grown vegetables. It is our hope that the produce grown will be shared with our local food bank and we are planning on making a formal connection once we are certain we have the endorsement of the School Committee.

Paton: Lisa Papazian and Joan Carlson

Paton will be building 4 raised beds (a K-1, 2, 3, & 4 area for planting). In addition to growing space, they are planning to use stone pavers to create a usable sundial. A small garden shed and the addition of 6 picnic tables will help teachers to keep tools organized as well as use the space as on outdoor classroom and a working space for students. We want student input as to what types of plants will be used in the garden, so classrooms will start to research and brainstorm ideas of what to include in the garden. We are also looking to expand the use of our academe, which is located in the back of our building. Students will also be designing rocks with messages of kindness to be included in the garden. Outdoor speakers and a sound feature will contribute to an area in the garden that will focus on sensory development. We anticipate that this sensory garden space will be used by all

classrooms but is located near the ELC classrooms to service students with different learning needs. Finally, an area for composting will be developed.

Spring: Donna Rice

Spring Street School is planning to have 2 raised beds on the right hand side of portable classrooms. Surrounding the raised beds is a wide paved walkway so that students will be able to access the area easily. Classrooms will be able to use this area for various science observations as well as to understand goods and services. Classrooms are beginning to discuss the gardens and brainstorming what we would like to grow in the gardens. Though first grade classrooms will certainly access the garden frequently during their life science unit, I anticipate many classrooms finding an interest in the growing and changing that will happen in the garden. Students will be involved in the planning, measuring, researching, planting, caring for these gardens. Over the summer months we plan to involve the families of our students to sign up to water and care for and also harvest from the garden. We would also look forward to donating fresh vegetables to those in need.

Sherwood: Lisa Pashou

Sherwood has already established its garden in the front entrance of the school. We have five raised beds that the ELC program has been planting its gardens in. For the past several years, our students have been planting various vegetables and flowers. Our students have learned the responsibility of caring and nurturing the gardens. They really enjoy the hands on experience and the fulfillment of watching their garden grow. The students are able to eat the vegetables that they grow and learn the process of growing them. To continue this excellent tradition, Sherwood would like to propose installing six benches around the raised beds. The purpose of this is so that the students may treat the gardens like an outdoor classroom. In addition, the entire Sherwood community may also observe and interact with the garden. Sherwood would additionally like to propose fencing for the garden. In the past, we have encountered issues with animals getting into the garden and eating the plants within the garden. We believe that these new additions will help the Sherwood community expand the learning opportunities surrounding the garden.

Oak: In Process

At Oak Middle School, we have a wonderful, centrally located courtyard with safe open space for a vibrant outdoor learning area. It is an interesting ecosystem consisting of green grass, a pond with fish and rare blue frogs, and two raised garden beds. However, it is in need of help and refurbishment!! Our vision for the grant funds it to help Oak "bring it back life" as a hands-on learning and growing space. To do this, we would need to enhance the vegetable growing beds, add a pathway to make it accessible to our students with mobility challenges, add a

composting area, and expand the learning opportunities for our students by adding benches for observation areas. Specifically, we would like to add an additional raised bed, at an elevated height so it is wheelchair accessible. We would like to bring our pond back to life to allow continued study of complex ecosystems. We would like to begin composting waste from our cafeteria. We would like soil and plantings, so we could provide produce to donate to a local agency, such as Veterans Inc. on South Street in Shrewsbury. There are a myriad of meaningful learning opportunities for students that link to our curriculum, including in math (scaling, volume calculations, dimensional figures, data analysis, exponential functions, growth rate calculations); in science (ecosystems and decomposition, plant growth cycles, plant DNA); in ELA (journaling, claim/evidence/reasoning writing, pro/con position papers for farm-to-school initiatives) and in social sciences (sustainability, food sources, soil and land uses, environmental impacts, physical features of growing spaces). Improving Oak's outdoor learning space would further engage students by providing hands-on, project-based learning and community service opportunities in a safe and structured outdoor learning area. Our teachers will be inspired to experiment and innovate with new learning experiences for students. and students will be inspired to challenge themselves and delve into meaningful hands-on learning.



ITEM NO: IV. Time Scheduled Appointments: MEETING DATE: 03/01/17
B. SHS Student Advisory Committee: Report

SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:

Will the School Committee hear a report from the Shrewsbury High School Student Advisory Committee?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- 1. Under the Massachusetts Education Reform Act, school districts are required to have a Student Advisory Committee (SAC), consisting of five high school students who are elected by the student body. The SAC is required to meet with the School Committee during the year to review various issues of concern to the student body. Mr. Andrew Smith, SHS social sciences teacher, serves as the faculty advisor to the SAC.
- 2. This is the third presentation of the 2016-17 school year by the SAC. An agenda is attached.
- 3. Mr. Wensky is the School Committee liaison to the SAC.

ACTION RECOMMENDED:

That the School Committee accept the report and take such action as it deems in the best interest of the school system.

STAFF & STUDENTS AVAILABLE FOR PRESENTATION:

Mr. Andrew Smith, SHS Teacher and Faculty Advisor to the SAC Mr. Todd Bazydlo, SHS Principal Benjamin George, Student, Class of 2018, SAC Chair Vikram Pathalam, Student, Class of 2017 Mark Bray, Student, Class of 2017 Maya McCollum, Student, Class of 2018 Prisha Singh, Student, Class of 2019

Student Advisory Committee Agenda for the School Committee Meeting on March 1, 2017

I. Extracurricular Activities

As students enter a new semester in their high school careers one cannot overlook the diverse activities and accomplishments earned through winter sports, the Robotics build season, Speech and Debate tournaments, and an assembly meant to bring awareness to social issues.

- a. Winter Sports
- b. Robotics
- c. Speech and Debate Tournaments
- d. Black History Month Assembly

II. School Operations

Following midterm exams students and teachers are managing recommendations and course selections for the upcoming school year. In this context, some discussion has begun regarding the possible impacts of the upcoming budget.

- a. Budget
- b Course Selection

III. Technology

Through multiple school wide surveys as well as a technology inventory, SHS is working to determine the impact of technology on teaching and learning.

- a. iMessage Survey
- b. Schoology Survey
- c. iPad Inventory

Thank you for your continuous support of the SAC.

Respectfully submitted,

Benjamin George Chairperson

Vikram Pathalam, Mark Bray, Maya McCollum, Prisha Singh SAC Members



ITEM NO: V. Curriculum	MEETING DATE:	03/01/17
SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:		
BACKGROUND INFORMATION:		
ACTION RECOMMENDED:		
STAFF & STUDENTS AVAILABLE FOR PRESENTATION:		



ITEM NO: VI. Policy MEETING DATE: 03/01/17

A. School Year Calendar for 2017-2018: Vote

SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:

Will the School Committee vote to approve the proposed 2017-2018 School Year Calendar?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- 1. A draft school calendar was presented to the Committee at the meeting on February 8, 2017, with a summary of changes provided by Dr. Sawyer.
- 2. The draft calendar was posted on the District website for public comment. It was also discussed with SEA leadership per their contract, as well as with the District Faculty Advisory Council and the PTO Presidents parent leadership group.
- 3. The proposed school calendar is enclosed.

ACTION RECOMMENDED:

That the School Committee vote to approve the proposed 2017-2018 School Year Calendar.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS/STAFF AVAILABLE FOR PRESENTATION:

Dr. Joseph M. Sawyer, Superintendent of Schools

Shrewsbury Public Schools 2017-2018 School Year Calendar

DRAFT

AUG	S/SEP		22 D	ays
M	T	W	T	F
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30	31	1
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August/September

New Teachers' Orientation
Opening Program for
Teachers/No School
Gr. 1-12 Students Return/Full Day
First Day K, Preschool Students
Professional Development/No
School
Labor Day/No School

October

10/6	Professional Development/No
	School
10/9	Columbus Day/No School

November

11/9	Parent Conferences/No School
11/10	Veterans Day Observed/No School
11/22-24	Thanksgiving Vacation

December

12/5	Professional Development/Early
	<mark>Release</mark>
12/25 - 29	December Vacation

January

1/1	New Year's Day/No School
1/15	M.L. King Day/No School

February

March	
2/19 2/20-23	Presidents Day/No School Winter Vacation
2/6	Professional Development/Early Release

March

3/6	Professional Development/Early
	<mark>Release</mark>

April

4/3	Professional Development/Early
	Release
4/16	Patriots Day/No School
4/17-20	Spring Vacation

May

5/1	Professional Development/Early
	Release
5/25	Last Day for Seniors
5/28	Memorial Day/No School
5/31	Graduation Day
June	
6/11	Last Day for Kindergarten &

	Preschool
6/13	Last Day/Half Day for Students

FEBRUARY		15 Days		
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MARCH		22 Day	ys	
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APRIL		16 Days		
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JUN	E	9 Days		
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ITEM NO: VII. Finance & Operations MEETING DATE: 03/01/17

A. FY18 Curriculum & Technology Budget Recommendations: Report

SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:

Will the Committee hear a report on Fiscal Year 2018 Curriculum & Technology Budget Recommendations?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- 1. The enclosed report provides an overview of Curriculum and Technology budgets for FY 2018.
- 2. The report separates out curriculum/instruction and technology expenditures, but notes that the two departments work in tandem to deliver a high quality instructional experience to Shrewsbury's students.

ACTION RECOMMENDED:

That the School Committee hear the report and take whatever steps it deems necessary in the interests of the Shrewsbury Public Schools.

STAFF AVAILABLE FOR PRESENTATION:

Ms. Mary Beth Banios, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction

Mr. Brian L'Heureux, Director of Information Technology

Ms. Shawna Powers, Director of Instructional Technology & Media Services

SHREWSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY FY18 BUDGET DETAILS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Prepared by: Mary Beth Banios, Brian L'Heureux, and Shawna Powers

February 22, 2017



OVERVIEW: THE SYNERGY BETWEEN CURRICULUM AND TECHNOLOGY BUDGETS

As instructional resources are increasingly digitized, the curriculum and technology budgets are becoming interconnected and interdependent of one another. While this report separates out curriculum/instruction and technology expenditures, the two departments now work in tandem with one another to deliver a high quality instructional experience to Shrewsbury's students.

DIGITAL INSTRUCTIONAL TOOLS

As a result of Shrewsbury's investment in personal technology devices, students can now access digital instructional tools that serve to positively redefine learning experiences. These tools better prepare them for the learning and working environments they will encounter in their future. Please find below an example of a digital resource that is currently being piloted to enhance middle level science instruction and that takes advantage of students being in a 1:1 learning environment.

Mosa Mack

This Next Generation Science resource scaffolds learning for students in Grades 4-8. It incorporates the inquiry approach to learning scientific concepts, hands on learning experiences, and a real world application of the material.

https://www.mosamack.com/#how it works

UBIQUITOUS NATURE OF DIGITAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT & ACCESS TO LOW-/NO-COST MATERIALS

Digital learning is now well-integrated into instruction across all grade levels. This type of learning is now also used as the foundation for our professional development program for teachers. Another area where we see the growth of digital tools is in the state testing platform; this year there is a state mandate requiring that students in grades 4 and 8 take MCAS 2.0 on-line and an expectation that they will have experience working in a digital environment prior to taking this assessment.

As digital learning becomes more ubiquitous, low cost/no cost digital materials continue to become available.

Apple Classroom

During the 2016-2017 school year, teachers gained access to Apple Classroom, a no-cost classroom management tool that has been provided by Apple that enables teachers to easily monitor what students are doing on their digital devices during class time.

Explanatory video: http://images.apple.com/media/us/education/
 2016/1e867897 5de3 45db ac71 d635d1ccb5a5/inspiration/classroom-app/education-classroom-app-cc-us-20160427_r848-9dwc.mov

Fourth Grade 1:2 Program

This year there was a district-wide implementation of a 1:2 iPad learning environment in fourth grade, designed to both enhance instruction and to comply with Department of Elementary & Secondary Education mandates that all fourth grade students now complete MCAS testing in a familiar digital environment. Please find below a list of tools available on all 4th grade student iPads.

- Nearpod*
- QR codes*
- Padlet*
- Book Creator (One time cost of \$2.49 per iPad)
- Google Drive/Docs*
- Pages*
- Numbers"
- Keynote*
- Notability (One time cost of \$4.99 per iPad)
- iMovie*
- * denotes tools available to the District at no cost

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY BUDGET DETAILS

Curriculum and Instruction Budget

Account	FY2017 Actual Budget	FY18 Proposed Budget	Difference FY17 Actual-FY18 Proposed
Mentoring Stipends	\$0	\$0	\$0
Curriculum Development	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0
Professional Development Contractual Services	\$80,500	\$80,500	\$0
Texts/Instructional Equipment	\$164,792	\$164,792	\$0
Educational Supplies	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
Travel Professional Development	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0
Dues and Membership	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0
Conference Professional Development	\$23,000	\$23,000	\$0
TOTAL	\$326,792	\$326,792	\$0

This budget may be able to be reduced based on final material and professional development requests.

Notes on FY18 Curriculum and Instruction Budget

Item	FY18 Cost
Mentoring Stipends	'
This cost provides mentors for new professional staff hired in Shrewsbury. In FY17 we shifted this cost to the Title IIA grant and will continue to do so for FY18.	\$0
Curriculum Development	
This line item provides funds for various summer and school year curriculum projects. The district is currently engaged in curriculum work related to the new science standards. This line item also funds the development and organization of digital resources. This work reduces the district's need for textbook replacement.	\$50,000

Item	FY18 Cost
Professional Development Contractual Services	
This line item will primarily support the SET course for new teachers, the Primary Source Partnership, Early Release and Professional Day trainings, and consultants for science and project based learning initiatives.	\$80,500
Texts/Instructional Equipment	
Most of the instructional materials being purchased are now digital: Mathematica, accounting software, Listen Current, Noodle Tools, Digi+, and various apps. This line item was reduced by \$36,000 for FY17 due to the availability of additional free digital resources and is anticipated that a further reduction may occur for FY 18. The consumable math resources for K-5 are also included in this line item.	\$164,792
Conference Professional Development	
This line item supports our teachers in attaining the necessary qualifications to teach AP courses, and funds to provide teacher leaders the opportunity to attend conferences that support the district's strategic priorities.	\$23,000

RELIABILITY OF THE NETWORK, HARDWARE AND DATA MANAGEMENT

Productive work, both in school and professional environments, continues to move more and more into a digital environment. As this change accelerates, it is critical that the network that supports this environment remains strong and reliable. Our district also has established a replacement cycle for its digital devices that is designed to maximize the lifespan of each device while at the same time being sure that they remain viable learning tools. Please find below an outline of the IT Budget for the 2017-18 school year. This budget is designed to ensure that the district maintains a reliable network, functioning digital devices and is positioned to respond to the data management needs that are required to effectively manage digital tools and to respond to the ever increasing state requests for data.

Instructional Technology (IT) Budget*

Account	FY2017 Actual Budget	FY18 Proposed	Difference
PD: Dues & Memberships	\$450	\$450	\$0
PD: Conferences	\$350	\$3,750	\$3,400
Inst. Tech: Supplies	\$19,000	\$19,000	\$0
Inst. Tech: Networking	\$130,050	\$133,000	\$2,950
Inst. Tech: Hardware	\$581,000	\$683,150	\$102,150
Inst. Tech: Software	\$86,000	\$136,723	\$50,723
Networking Infrastructure	\$7,000	\$83,000	\$76,000
Data Processing	\$111,550	\$118,000	\$6,450
AV Supplies	\$7,069	\$7,069	\$0
AV Equipment	\$7,650	\$7,650	\$0
Repair and Maintenance: Equip	\$61,520	\$61,520	\$0
TOTAL	\$1,011,639	\$1,253,212	\$241,673

^{*} Please note that this budget detail does not include salaries and wages or line items for Media Services, both of which are included the ITAMS total on page 30 of the budget book.

Notes on FY18 IT Budget

The major drivers of increases in the IT budget are listed below. A number of smaller increases in maintenance and software costs are also included in the budget request.

Item	FY18 Cost
Inst. Tech: Hardware	
Planned increase due to iPad Lease for incoming Grades 5 & 9 and continuation of initial HS lease. This increase was projected as part of the FY17 budget process. There will be a similar increase in FY19, after which lease costs will be reduced below the FY18 level in FY20 and achieve a steady state as the initial HS lease payments are completed (see table below).	\$102,510
Inst. Tech: Software	
Purchase of Microsoft Office 2016 to replace unsupported and obsolete Office 2008	\$50,723
Inst. Tech: Networking Infrastructure	
Switch replacement due to end of vendor support for existing switches	\$76,000

iPad Lease Schedule	FY16	FY17	FY18	FY19	FY20
Lease 1 (Grades 5, 9, 10, 11, 12 in FY16)	\$278,707	\$278,707	\$278,707	\$278,707	
Lease 2 (Grades 5 & 9 in FY17)		\$108,016	\$108,016	\$108,016	\$108,016
Lease 3 (Grades 5 & 9 in FY18)			\$109,055	\$109,055	\$109,055
Lease 4 (Grades 5 & 9 in FY19)				\$115,346	\$115,346
Lease 5 (Grades 5 & 9 in FY20)					\$113,619
Total	\$278,707	\$386,723	\$495,778	\$611,124	\$446,036

REALLOCATION OF CLASS OF 2017 IPADS

For the 2016-2017 school year, in keeping with past practice in our 1:1 program, new iPads were acquired for all grade 5 and 9 students.

Our plan is to reallocate the approximately 400 iPads currently assigned to the Class of 2017 by continuing to replace aging iPads elsewhere in the district, including elementary, special education, and staff-assigned iPads.
This reallocation will allow us to maintain our planned four-year cycle for student 1:1 iPads and avoid significant predictable costs for replacing aging non-1:1 iPads across the District.



ITEM NO: VII. Finance & Operations MEETING DATE: 03/01/17

B. FY18 Budget: Public Hearing

SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:

Will the School Committee hear feedback from the public regarding the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

1. Per state law, the School Committee must hold at least one public hearing on the proposed School Department budget. At this hearing, the public is encouraged to provide feedback regarding the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget that was proposed at the School Committee's meeting of January 25, 2017.

ACTION RECOMMENDED:

That the School Committee hear feedback from the public regarding the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget.

STAFF AVAILABLE FOR PRESENTATION:

Dr. Joseph M. Sawyer, Superintendent of Schools

Ms. Mary Beth Banios, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction

Ms. Barbara Malone, Director of Human Resources

Mr. Patrick C. Collins, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations



ITEM NO: VII. Finance & Operations MEETING DATE: 03/01/17

C. FY18 Fees & Tuitions: Recommendation & Potential Vote

SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:

Will the Committee hear a recommendation from Dr. Sawyer on Fiscal Year 2018 Fees and Tuitions, and if needed, vote to approve changes to any current rates?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- 1. Mr. Collins discussed fee amounts for the 2017-2018 school year for busing, athletics, student activities, preschool and full-day kindergarten tuition, at the meeting on February 8, 2017.
- 2. A Massachusetts Public Schools Survey of Fees is enclosed.
- 3. Dr. Sawyer recommends that no changes be made to fee and tuition rates for Fiscal Year 2018. A memo from Dr. Sawyer is enclosed.
- 4. A vote will only be required to make changes to current rates.

ACTION RECOMMENDED:

That the Committee hear a recommendation from Dr. Sawyer on Fiscal Year 2018 Fees and Tuitions, and if needed, vote to approve any changes to current rates.

STAFF AVAILABLE FOR PRESENTATION:

Dr. Joseph M. Sawyer, Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Patrick C. Collins, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations

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Abby Foster Charter	09/13 ↑	100/sport		25 to 30		0			
Abington	12/09	250/sport no cap	JV & Frosh Athletics + Band Ice Hockey funded by boosters	50		255 510 Fam Cap			2700 Pre+K Full Day; After GR 1-8 \$75/1.5hr/ 1day a wk/10wks
Academy of Pacific Rim Charter									
Academy of Strategic Learning HMCS									
Acton	11/13 ↓	NA K-8		155	K-5 Music Only				Full Day K 3500
Acton-Boxborough	05/08	190/sport	Family cap of 760	50 selective	HS Band 90 – Elem Band 155	0	Senior parking 200		Full Day K 400.mo (4,000/yr)
Acushnet		0	No Fees	0		0			1910 K
Adams-Cheshire		100	200 Fam Max	Includes	activities		10 Parking		
Agawam	08/11	0/sport					40 parking		120/ mo PreK 4 day; 65 2 day 41 morning/66 afternoon/99 both per week
Amesbury	09/13 ↑	325/sport	1055 combined fam cap	80		360	540 fam cap 0 parking		PreSchool 3000/yr for 9 months
Amherst-Pelham	01/12	193 to 231/sport	552 individual and 1100 Fam cap	0		0	75/yr student parking		5 mornings 1970 yr 4 mornings 1470/yr Extended day 4.50/day H.S. Program 3 per hr
Andover	03/14	350/yr	700 fam max	75MS	Per student/yr to cover stipends; 150 fam cap	300/600	300 HS Parking with lottery		Full Day K 4400 PreK 5 day 3622
Arlington	09/12	100-300/most sports	500 football, 600 Gymnastics, 700 Ice hockey	425	Elem instrumental music	0			Full Day K 0
Ashburnham- Westminster	04/12	194 to 700	Varies by sport		30 for after school music	0	10 parking		
Ashland	04/12	259 running tier/ 275 football tier 335 golf and others	No Fam Cap	100		280/560 <2	100 or HS Parking		3800 All Day K, 205 2 day ½ to 975 full 5 day PreK

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Assabet Valley R Voc		0							
Athol-Royalston									
Attleboro	05/10	100/sport	250 individual; 450 fam cap 300 JV, 500 V Ice Hockey			150/130/110/70	460 fam max		200-850 PreK
Auburn	06/11	0		0		0			Free Full Day K; PreK 3-day - \$1,450/yr; PreK 4-day - \$1,600/yr, After School - \$10/day
Avon	10/13	150	300 fam cap	75	Unlimited number and no fam cap	250/500 cap	75 HS Parking		180/mo PreK 250/mo K
Ayer Shirley RSD	01/12	200 HS 100 MS	250 student cap 400 family cap	50 HS	500 fam cap for all fees	0	200 parking		Full Day K & ACP Free
Barnstable	03/15 ↑	150/sport	500 Fam Cap	175	Music and extracurricular	200			Free full day K Sliding Scale to 2400 for PreK
Bay Path									
Bedford		0	No Fees	0		0			Full Day K Free
Belchertown	04/12	100							
Bellingham	03/15 ↑	250 HS 100 MS	500 fam cap per season	0		230 460 fam max	Bus has discount for early pay;10 HS parking		Provided by Hocomock YMCA with various fees 1300 PreK, 3250 K
Belmont	11/13 ↑	450/300/150 HS 280 MS basketball	No fam cap	100 most activities	275 fine and performing arts 150 MS; 250 elem inst music	575/student			2900 PreK 1800 full day K
Berkley K-8	?????	75/season		39	All Activities	0			2350 K
Berkshire Hills Reg									
Berlin-Boylston Reg 7-12	02/14 ↑	250/person/sport	600 Fam cap	50	675 fam cap sports + Act 50/150 fam cap		30/semest er		2800 K
Beverly	03/15 ↑	210, 260, 315	Depending upon Sport; 105 MS	210	Elem/MS Band + strings	315; 630 Fam Max	100 HS Parking		PreK 2650; K 4000
Billerica	05/13	150/sport	600 Fam cap	50					
Blackstone Valley Voc	10/11	25/sport	Fundraising 31,100 No cap	20	Fundraising 33,100 for special events, trips, etc.	0	20 parking		
Blackstone- Millville	08/10	80/sport	320 Fam Cap/ +400 for Hockey	80	For Instrumental Band, etc	0			
Blue Hills VOC		0		35/yr	Setting up Adopt-a-shop		1		

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Boston									
Boston Collegiate Charter									
Boston Evening Academy HMCS									
Bourne	04/14 ↑	300/most sports	1000 Fam Cap			150, 50 late fee after 7/15	Gr 9-12		After School 25/75 150 Fam Cap No Full Day K
Boxborough	11/13 ↑								4500 Full Day K; 210 Pre K
Boylston									2500 K- full day -5 days
Braintree	06/13 ↑	225/yr for most sports	450 Fam cap; V hockey 400; 800/fam cap and JV hockey 325; 650 Fam Cap	150/yr non- athletes; no fee for athletes	300 cap per family; no activity fee for those paying sports fees	150	250 fam cap		
Bridgewater- Raynham	06/15 ↑	300/sport	300/sport MS + 2K fundraising No Caps	50/Act	17-69 Middle	225<1.5 mi	350 fam cap 100 Sr Parking		Full Day K 3000; Before and After programs add 100/week
Brimfield									
Bristol County Agric									
Bristol-Plymouth Reg Voc									
Brockton		No Fees							
Brookfield									
Brookline	04/10	200/sport/season	Middle school 85 – no cap	0		0			4200 PreK
Burlington		0	•	0		0			
Cambridge		0		0		0			Free PreK and K
Canton	08/13 ↑	195/sport	Extra for hockey and swim teams; 780 fam cap; reduced fee families can donate a voluntary amount that is affordable	60 and	HS Debate, trial, etc + MS sports and activities: Separate 75 for HS performing arts and MS Music	0	180 parking		Full Day K 4,000; half day 2000
Cape Cod Lighthouse		0		0	Parents may contribute 5-10 for field trips				
Cape Cod Reg Voc Tech									

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Carlisle		175				395	595 fam cap		
Carver	06/09	90/sport	250 fam max						Free full day K
Central Berkshire Reg	01/09	150/sport 50% 2 nd child 0 3rd	250 max/fam/season				25 HS Parking	Contact out Free transcripts	
Champion HMCS									
Chatham									25/week Before School, No Fee for Full Day K
Chelmsford	10/11	300/250/200	No fam cap	100	All Activities	200	500 fam cap 200 Parking		Before and after school programs with various fees from 72 to 383/mo depending upon number and length of days.
Chelsea		0		0		0			
Chicopee		0	No Fees	0	Considering Fees	0			
City on A Hill Charter									
Clarksburg									
Clinton MS	07/12	150 1st sport	475 fam cap						
Codman Acad. Charter									
Cohasset	06/13 ↑	250/1 st sport, 250, 150	400 ind cap 900 fam max	0		180 540 fam cap	180 HS Parking		170/wk Before School-310/mo 5 day after school- 450/mo for Both Full Day K 3000, PK 2000
Concord		50/150							
Concord-Carlisle	01/09	125/sport/season	50/sport/per season at middle school 500 fam max per year	75	Middle instrumental only	50 late bus	125 student parking	Own and Operate \$6/package for seniors; \$2 Grads	
Conway									
Danvers	03/12	245/185/155	100 MS Sports 720 fam cap	50	100 elem fine arts	180	5 parking		
Dartmouth	04/14 ↓	100 sports & music/season	250 cap per person/year & 500/fam	HS 100/sem MS 100/sem	250 fam max	0		60/yr HS parking	
Dedham		125/sport	500 fam max			180/student <2miles	No family Cap		Full Day K 2800,PreS 5 day 2365 3 day 1470, 2 day 1050 Childcare 4.50/hour
Deerfield	12/08	75/70/65		0		0		Leases buses Free transcripts	

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Dennis-Yarmouth	06/13 ↑	100/sport	200 annual cap; 50 MS per sport	0 HS		0	50 HS Parking		No Fee Full Day K
Dighton-Rehoboth	10/11	160 to 235 HS	425/pers Cap; 525 fam cap MS 100/student	50 MS	50 Math/Spelling Team No fam cap	0	200 Cap 100 HS Parking-2 semesters; 50 2 nd semester only		Full day K 3500
Douglas		100	MS & HS 200 Indiv and 400 Family Cap						230/mo K
Dover-Sherborn		250/sp/yr	Family cap 1250	40	Elem 175 for instr. music	0	250 HS Parking/S em		
Dracut	04/15 ↑	300/sport per	750 ice hockey 900 fam cap exclude hockey		30 to 150 Music Fees 900 Fam cap	200	k-12 900 fam cap		Free All Day and ½ Day K- Enrollment by lottery 18/day Preschool
Dudley-Charlton	07/12	150/sport	Family cap 300				100 HS Parking		800 Pre School Tuition
Duxbury	06/08	210/sport	800 fam cap	100	Co-curricular	270	50 HS parking		\$5/hr preschool
East Bridgewater	03/15 ↑	350/student/yr	400 fam max	0		300/150/50	10 HS Parking		Preschool 2 day 1,125 or 3 day 1,650 Full day kindergarten 2,700 Before & After School Care 13/day
East Longmeadow	07/14 ↑	149/sport	For each Sport	20	Each	270	540 fam cap		2650 K
Easthampton	09/08	100/sport	300 fam cap	0		200/350/450			
Easton	08/14 ↑	150/sport 250 hockey+	Family cap 600	125	150 band or choir 600 fam cap	0	Consideri ng parking		
Erving									
Essex Agr Tech		25/sport	No Cap						
Everett		0		0		0			
Fairhaven	07/09	0				125	250 Fam Cap		150/mo PreK
Fall River									
Falmouth	12/08	0		0		0			No Fee Full Day K
Farmington River Reg		10							

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Fitchburg	06/11	50		0		25/mo			
Foxboro Reg									
Charter									5 11 5 14 40 000
Foxborough	07/13 ↑	0	No Fees	0		0			Full Day K = \$3,000 Pre-K = \$1,300 (2 - 1/2 days) Pre-K = \$1,800 (3 - 1/2 days) Pre-K = \$2,130 (4 - 1/2 days)
Framingham	05/12	225/sport	900 fam cap	25		270	540 fam cap 125 HS parking		Free Full day k
Francis Parker Charter	09/13	275/sport							
Franklin ↑↓	06/13	200/sport	450 hockey, 175 track, waived at 7 th fee	50/year	Gr 6-12	325	975 fam cap/year	Leases buses 0 for transcripts	After school 20/child/day
Franklin County									
Freetown-Lakeville	03/15	300 1st 150 2nd	375 cap	100		0	50 HS Parking		Free Full day K
Frontier	06/11	100/80/70							
Gardner	07/11	100/sport	HS & MS; 200 Ice Hockey	0		100	20 parking	Leases buses 0 for transcripts	\$800.00 per year (3 day program) \$1,066.00 per year (4 day half day program) \$1,866.00 per year (4 day full day program) FREE full day K
Gateway Regional		100/500					200 Parking		
Georgetown	06/13	475/425/375 tiers Depending upon sport with 1500 fam cap	255 MS 1500 fam cap for sports and activities	50			75 parking	Contract out 3 Free, then \$3	
Gill-Montague Reg									0-380 PreK
Gloucester	03/13	228 for most sports	MS 60 to 152 Grants/ads could reduce fees even more	85-30	HS Band/Chorus 85; K-8 music 75	90; 300 fam cap	0 parking		Summer School 126, City-run Preschool 50; MS afterschool 35/sem
Gosnold		0	No Fees						
Grafton	10/11					200 400 fam cap	200 HS Parking		225/Mo PreK
Granby		100	350 Cap	25					115/3 day PreK
Greater Fall River Voc									
Greater Lawrence		0	No Fees						

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voc									
Greater Lowell Tech									
Greater New Bedford									
Greenfield	08/13	0	Fee Free Policy Since 2008	0					Free AfterSchool Programs
Groton-Dunstable	04/15	400/sp/season 100 extra for Ice Hockey + ice time	HS 1200 Family max MS 210/sp/season with a 1000 fam cap for MS	150	150 Elem Band Fee		100 HS parking		Full Day K 4,635; PreK 2.5 days 1850; 3.5 days 2625; 4.5 days 3125
Hadley									
Hamilton-Wenham	08/13 ↓	200 to 685	Funded 80% by user fees; max two fees for 3 sport athletes; family max of 3 sports fees	Net 65 after donations. Elem 50	HS Most 100% funded & others 20% funded, MS 127 to 1168; elem 110 to 183		200 HS Parking		2500 PreK 4000 K
Hampden- Wilbraham	04/14 ↑	Yes	Hockey 335, football- basketball 190, tennis etc 170, skiing 250	25			100/yr parking		PK 2 day 3yo 1000/yr; 3 day 4yo 1500/yr;; current enrolled 4yo 1200/yr
Hampshire Reg		50/120/yr	To Fund a Trainer						
Hancock									
Hanover	01/09	200/sport	375 stud cap/450 family cap	0		250 HS only			
Harvard	02/10	275-425 V/225 JV/200Mid	300 Golf, 250 Ski- Swim	60	25 voluntary if no activity elected	225/600 cap			4000 5 day ½ day
Harwich	12/08	0	No Fees	0		0			No Fee Full Day K
Hatfield	03/12	100	450 fam cap	60					
Haverhill	08/12	100/sport	600 fam cap	250	Instrumental only	0			4100 K
Heath Careers HMCS									
Hingham	06/13 ↑	325/year	625 fam max; 100 Extra for ice hockey with 800 fam cap 610 for rowing; 385/sibling more	0	100/175/200 MS activity fee 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd child	0	30 HS Parking S rs 20 Jrs	Lease buses, own vans; HPS drivers 0 transcript fees	3000 Extended Day K
Holbrook	07/10	140/season		50	Gr 7-12	0			
Holliston	05/14 ↑	200 HS 150 MS	Fam Cap 1000	HS 25	Plus 100 for each club no family cap	225, 450 fam cap	50 HS Parking		3475 K Full day 3375 PreK ½ day

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Holyoke	06/11	0		0					
Hopedale	06/13 ↓	200/sport	500 fam cap per season	0		225	450 fam cap		0 for full day K 150/mo PreK; after school 16.25/day, WednesdayCare 30/day; SummerCare 240/Wk; BreakfastBrunch 9.20/Day
Hopkinton	05/14 ↓	135 HS & MS	Per sport/per season- No Cap	25	Per year	170; 340 fam cap	210 parking	100 daycare dropoff fee	320/mo 4 half Days PreK 4000 full day K
Hudson	07/14 ↑	125 250 Hockey	No cap	100	275-400 Fee for instrumental music				2 day 1230; 3 day 1695 PreK
Hull	09/09	200,150,100	+75 for football and ice hockey 525 indiv cap; 975 fam cap						Free full day K
Ipswich	03/11	400/yr	650 fam cap			250 fam cap of 500			1000 Pre K
King Philip Regional	06/10	285 hockey, basketball, gymnastics, golf	165 track; 215 all other sports ½ then ¼ fee for additional family members in the same season.		90 Theater 425 Marching Band, 730 Winter Guard, 510 Indoor Percussion, 120 Jazz	0	180 Parking		
Lanesborough									
Lawrence	01/08		No fees			\$13/Mo			Full Day K Free
Lee	08/08	50/100/200		125		0			
Leicester	10/09	100				150	300 fam cap 100 HS Parking		
Lenox	03/12	30	Combined sports and activity 150 Fam Cap						
Leominster	05/10	115/sport	Ice Hockey 190/student	0		100/175			Full Day K 1800
Leverett									
Lexington	10/11	325/300HS/ 150-125 MS	625 fam cap 825 fam max	300	4-5 Gr Musical Instrumental only	600 1650 fam cap			Full day K 1075; PreSchool 3312-4860;
Lincoln	08/09	150/sport				275, 200, 100	575 capK- 6<2, gr 7- 8		200/mo PreK
Lincoln-Sudbury Page 8	02/11	365/sport	Hockey 135 extra; others from 283 to 1755; family cap equals	60			300 HS Parking		

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			3 athletic fees	l			1		
Littleton	11/13	200 MS & HS	550 fam max	\$50 6-12 one time, excluding some	\$25 K-5 one time	225	K-6 < 2mi & 7-12 Fam Max 675		235/mo 3 day Pre School, 260/mo 4 day PreK; 285/mo 5 day PreK; Various Before, Mid. after Programs at various costs 4057 Full Day K
Longmeadow	02/14 ↑	260					175 parking		Full Day K 3000
Lowell		0							Full Day K Free
Lowell Middlesex									
Academy Charter									
Ludlow	07/11	145/sport				242 538 cap	180 parking		
Lunenburg	02/11		555 max per student 825 3 sport 2 student family	40/year		0			1,050/yr Pre, 2000 K ext day, after school care 3/hr
Lynn		0	No Fees	0			0 parking		
Lynnfield	05/11	200/student	425 fam cap	300		0			2600 Pre K, 25/day + 5 trans
MA Academy for Math & Science									
Malden	09/16	0		0		0		No Busing offered	
Manchester Essex Reg	09/10	450/yr	350 ice hockey				0 parking		
Mansfield	03/15 ↑	150/sport	500 fam cap			225	575 fam max		
Marblehead	07/10	340 HS/yr	150 MS/yr –fam max 480	90-180HS 100-150MS	Combined with sports 100 gr 4-6; 30 instr music for Gr 3		5- for out of town field trips		2600 afternoon kindergarten
Marlborough	06/16 ₩	0	SuperPass for All HS 0 activities 250 cap		250 family max	0			3400 PreK full day, 2300 half day; with scale for needy
Marshfield	11/14 ↓	250/student/yr	600 fam cap				25 HS Parking per 1/2 yr		3000 Full Day K
Martha's Vineyard	04/08	0							
Masconomet Reg	01/11	250-650		65-200 HS 65-100 MS					
Mashpee	12/08	0	No Fees	0		0			No Fee Full Day K
Maynard	02/11	400HS	All sports & activities; 200 MS			245	Fam max 495	Leases buses Free transcripts	
Medfield	0509	225-250	ĺ	25 one time			180/yr HS	,	235 4 day PreK

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				for MS & HS			Parking		
Medford	06/10	175-200	500 fam cap						Full Day K Free
Media & Tech Charter									
Medway ↓	04/14	225/sport	900 fam cap except lacrosse and hockey	75/50/25					2475 Full Day K Free ½ Day K
Melrose	15/16 ↑	Tiered 180,250, 300, &500 depending upon the cost of the sport	900 Individual Cap	MS 15 HS 35		0	0	25/student for unlimited #	1752-2500 PreK, 2600 to 6176 full day K with graduated discount for shorter days and times <93K Fam incomes, increasing; 225 Summer School Fee FREE Full day K 2013
Mendon-Upton	08/11	425 football; 300 or 375 for							
Reg		others							
Methuen		0	No Fees	0		0			10/day PreK, 24/day after School Full Day K Free
Middleboro	10/13	175/350	450 fam cap			0			1850 K
Milford	07/08	125/sport	400 hockey, 375 fam cap, 600 fam cap with hockey						
Millbury	05/10						50 Parking/yr		PreSchool 2 day 115/mo or 1150/yr 3 day 160/mo or 1600/yr After School 36 and 41/week
Millis	06/09	220/sport	880 fam cap			314, 280	594 fam cap		275 K
Milton	05/13	300/sport	1500 Family Cap; Hockey 600 with 1850 Fam Cap	50/activity	150 per student cap 150 MS Combo PASS	375/seat	900 Fam Cap		3 half days 1200; 2 full days 1250; 4 full days 2500; 5 full days 3125
Minuteman Reg Voc									3.20
Mohawk Trail Reg									
Monson	02/09	150/sport	600 fam max	0		210 full day/full year, payable in thirds;\$105 one way/full year, payable in thirds 17.50 per third/ athlete p.m. only pass \$6.00 standby emergency tickets (10)	,		Pre School 12/day
Montachusett Reg							25		

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Voc							parking		
Mt. Greylock Reg		100 HS 75 MS	500 fam max	35/ act	100 HS/ 75 MS Stage Productions	0	50/sem parking		
Mystic Valley Charter									
Nantucket	11/09	100 to 150/sport							
Narragansett Reg		100 per Sport	300/500 fam max	25	Per year	0	15 parking		15/mo Pre
Nashoba Reg		150/sport HS	50/sport MS 450 individual cap	varies	Any other fees are set by individual principals		75 student parking fee		2700 K
Nashoba Valley Reg									
Natick	04/15 ↑	225/sport/season HS and MS; Hockey 400	675 family cap/year; 850 for Hockey	50 HS & MS one or more activities	175-330/sem Inst Music varies private or semi + 25 Registration fee	150/300 fam cap			PK 3da ½ 3000/yr; 4da ½ 3700/yr; Full day 6800
Nauset	12/08	0	No Fees	0	-	0			No Fee Full Day K
Needham	02/12	285/sport	900 fam cap			390/790 fam cap	20 Parking		3000 Pre K
New Bedford						2.50-5.00 tickets			
New Leadership HMCS									
Newburyport	09/10 Tiered Fees	200-465 225-280	1300 fam cap	50		275/550	0 parking		3300 K
Newton	06/13 ↓	300 HS Sports	160 MS Sports 480 MS Family Cap 400 HS Hockey/Football 900 HS Family Cap 1200 All Fee Super Cap	0 HS 60 MS	150 HS Drama 150 Elementary Music	310/student 620 Family cap	310 HS parking		4503 (PreK 15Hr) 6521 (PreK 20Hr)
Norfolk	06/11		•		175 for 5 th & 6 th Gr Band	150/300 fam cap			180 Pre K, 260 K 3500 Full day K
Norfolk County Agricultural HS				50/yr					
North Adams	02/14	200 1st 150 2sd	750.0			220 260 111 6	40.440		
North Andover	03/14 ↓	300 1 st ,150 2 nd , 75 3 rd sport	750 fam max per year, 100 extra for Hockey			330 - 360 with late fee	40 HS Parking		Full Day K Free preschool 3200
North Attleboro	06/15 ↑	150		100	50 theater and music 600 fam cap	300/600 fam cap	\$180 HS Parking		4000 Full Day K

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North Berkshire									
School Union 43 North Brookfield									
North Central Charter									
North Middlesex Reg	07/11	150/sport; ice hockey 200 extra	MS 80/sport	25		0	60 parking		90-188/mo pre, Full Day K Free
North Reading	07/16/16	400 1st/200nd+	1300 family cap	200 HS & MS	For all activities combined	400; 650 Fam Max	Gr 7-12, k-6<2		6000 Full Day PreK; 3000 ½ Day Full Day K 4250
North Shore Reg Voc									1 un Duy IX 1230
Northampton	06/13	175 First sport/ 145 second/115 third	600 fam cap; 0 free lunch; 35/25/15 for reduced lunch	0		210/student	375 fam cap with 2 students – 490 cap with 3 or more		
Northampton- Smith							more		
Northborough- Southborough Reg	01/14 ↑	200/sport	No cap	50	"Tentative" general activity Fee		200 HS Parking / Yr		2100 PreK 3250 K
Northbridge	10/11	200/season 1 st child, 100 second	500 fam cap; additional for ice hockey, tennis, golf	25 per club	50 max per student				2 day pre K 1395; 4 day Pre K 2196 11/day Elem after school program
Northeast Metro Voc									Fregues
Northern Berkshire Regional Voc		0	No Fees	0		0			
Norton	03/15 ↑	250/sport	HS & MS 500/fam cap	50/activity	100 cap per student	225 450 fam cap	450 fam cap;100 HS Parking		3000 full day K
Norwell	05/08	200/sport	Sports & activity fam cap 1000	75	For activities only	250/200 450 fam cap	50 Parking		3 day PreK 2,200 4 day PreK 2,700
Norwood	03/12	150/season	600 Fam Cap	50 HS &MS	150 one time fine arts fee 600 fam cap	250	600 fam cap 100 SR		3000 kPK AM Session 2 days \$2050/yr; PK AM Session 3 days \$2650/yr; PK PM Session 3 days

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							Parking		\$2650/yr; PK PM Session 4 days \$3200/yr; PK Extended Session 4 days/week \$5200/for 10 mo
Old Colony Reg Voc									
Old Rochester	09/12	HS 225/student/ sport	MS 25/year; 50 more for traveling teams 600 fam cap;	65 HS afterschool activities		No fees for regular bus	50 HS Parking	Leases buses 0 for transcripts	
Orange		0	No Fees	0		0			
Oxford		50/sport 100 cap/person	150/fam max/season	0		0			Various before and after school at @15-25/wk- vacation/summer @20-25/day
Palmer	09/10	200/sport				0	100 HS Parking/v ehicle		
Pathfinder Reg Voc Tech	07/16	0		0		0			
Peabody	03/11	150/sport	300 fam cap	0		300	600 fam cap		PreK FT 5 day 3,750, 3 day 2,270; PreK PT 5 day 1900, 3 day 1135
Pembroke	03/15	175/year	300 Fam Cap includes MS basketball	0		180	250 fam cap		3,500 Full Day K
Pentucket Reg	08/10	200 to 400	850 Ice Hockey JV & V 400 Football JV & V 1000 fam Cap	15 to 100	Fam Cap	180 Reg; 100 AM-PM; 90 Winter Pass	180 HS Parking		Extend K 3,600; 180/mo 2 day; 220/mo 3 day; 250/mo 4 day; Before/After Pgms 8.25 to 18.50/day
Pioneer Valley			'						
Pioneer Valley Performing Arts Charter									
Pittsfield	06/11	125/student/ sport	Rental fees to be raised by hockey and swim teams		50K fundraising for Fine Arts programs	180			
Plainville		0	No Fees	0		0			1450 PreK
Plymouth		100/sport// season	Includes cheerleading - No Fam Max			125/100/75	300 fam max; disc. for prepayme		4,000 Full Day K
Prospect Hill							nt		
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Charter									
Provincetown	12/08	0	No Fees	0		0			12.50 AM, 7.50 PM PreK No Fee Full Day K
Quabbin									
Quaboag Reg	12/08	75/sport	225 fam max	25			50/yr parking	Leases buses 0 for transcripts	
Quincy	05/13	100/sport	150 HS Football and Lacrosse; 300 Hockey; 750 Fam Cap 40/sport MS	20		200/student	400 Fam Cap		Free full day K
Ralph C. Mahar			•						
Randolph	07/08	0	No Fees			0			
Reading	09/12	215/sport	450 student, 750 fam cap	50-176 50 MS	175 Band/jazz	365	No busing over Gr 6 650 fam cap		Full Day K 4,000 240 PreK
Revere		0	100 in May 03 – Repealed Aug 03	0		0	Consideri ng Advert		
Richmond									
Rockland	04/14	180	Per year/ 330/fam	50	Per year	250	400 fam		1000/yr Peer Model PreK, Free Full Day K
Rockport	02/09	300/yr	350 HS Hockey, 250 MS on HS Team, 200 MS Intramurals, 200 Winter Cheering, 105 floor hockey intramurals			100	250 fam cap 0 parking		
Sabis International			neoney maramaran						
Charter									
Salem	08/08	200/yr	350 fam max	25/ activity		250/400 150 one way	Saved 7 teachers 0 parking		
Sandwich	02/15 ↓	150/student/ season	50 intramural sports, 600 Fam Cap	80	250 Gr 5-8 Instrumental music	100	100 HS Parking Fee		Free Full Day K
Saugus	06/15 ↑	350/most sports; 400 football & hockey 250 free/300 reduced lunch	250 Spring/sport MS No Family Cap Available for Sports All sports reduced 35 retro for 2013-2014	50, HS 100	75 MS student cap 150 HS student cap	360 no cap	25 HS parking fee		1800 All Day K, 1450 PreK, 1120 New Beginnings, , 17/day after school
Scituate	08/10	300/sport	Jr High 50/100	200 HS	Includes sports	240	460 fam		Full Day K 2800

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		900 fam cap		100 MS	500 fam cap		cap 120 HS Parking		
SE Reg Voc		0	No Fees	0		0	1 tarring		
Seekonk	04/14								
Sharon	04/12	275/200/75 Sport	750 fam cap			540 twice a day 370 one way	fam cap 144 Parking		½ day PreK 5 day 2955; 3 day 1775; 4 day 2365; Full day 5 day PreK 7150 3285 full day K
Shawsheen Valley Reg Voc	06/13 ↑						10/sticker		5205 Idii day IX
Shrewsbury	07/15 ↑	300/sport	900 fam cap	100HS 50MS	300 fam cap HS 150 fam cap MS	275	550 fam cap		Pre-K: 2 half-day session \$2,049/year 3 half-day session \$2,663/year 4 half-day session \$3,210/year 5 half-day session \$3,298/year 4.5 full-day session \$6,610
Shutesbury									4000 Full Day K
Silver Lake	02/09	150/student	Ath+Act combo fee;	30	Drama only if no other act	0	10 park sticker		Free full day K
Somerset Berkley Regional SD	04/15	0	No Fees	0		0			
Somerville	12/09		No Fees						Free PreK
South Hadley	09/13 ↑	100/sport	125 football and hockey			125	150 combo parking/b us fee		Free PreK; after school fees vary
South Middlesex Reg Voc									
South Shore Charter									
South Shore Voc		0	No Fees	0		0			
Southborough									2100 PreK, 2000 K
Southbridge		0	No Fees	0		0			
Southeastern Reg Voc									
Southern Berkshire Reg									

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Southern Worcester Voc									
Southwick-Tolland		100	Per sport/per student/per year	0			100/yr HS Parking or 50/semest er		2,500 full day kindergarten
Spencer- East Brookfield	12/08	125-250/sport 600 family Cap			175 Marching Band		50 HS Parking	Private bus co \$2 per transcript	Full Day K Free
Springfield	08/07	0							
Stoneham	10/16 ↓	300/sport	900 fam cap			0	No bus service		Full Day K FREE, 2300 PreK
Stoughton	10/13 ↑	200/yr 100 extra for hockey	HS - Onetime fee; no cap	Yes	100-50-0 HS, 30 MS after school Music only	360/student	Owns 2 busses	0 transcripts	Free full day K
Sturgis Charter									
Sudbury	12/11	195 then 95		50 HS	MS 30/activity	350/635 fam cap			3000 PreK
Sunderland									160/mo PreK
Sutton	09/08	200/sport	400 cap/student			180/360 fam cap			
Swampscott	06/11	250/sport HS	70/sport MS 1250 fam cap	50/activity	100 MS 275 max	0	100 parking	\$3/transcript	245/mo PreK
Swansea	06/12		•	0		0			Free Full Day K
Tantasqua		0	No Fees	0		0			
Taunton		25/15/10	75 student max						78 – 156/Mo
Tewksbury	05/13	150/sport	600 HS Fam Cap	HS \$75/activity MS \$30/activity Elem. (Gr. 5/6) \$30/activity	No Cap - Academic Clubs excluded From Fee (e.g. NHS & DECA)	0	50/pass/ye ar Parking	0	Preschool - \$150/mo for 3 days/week Preschool -\$98/mo for 2 days/week After School - \$65/students/week Before School - \$37.50/student/week Full-day KDG - \$4,000/student/year
Tri-County RVTSD		0		50/yr					
Triton Regional	04/12	350/sport	1750 fam cap	50/100			\$1/day HS parking		2950 K
Truro	12/08			10-15/act	Cover costs only				23/wk PreK, No Fee Full Day I
Tyngsboro	09/12	300/200/100 HS 225 MS	Included activities, 800 hockey Non-Athletes 100 for activities and entrance to games,	75/act HS & MS	25 extra for MS Theater Additional Production	200 500 fam cap	225 Parking – reduces for part yr		Full Day K 2,950 PreK 5 day Full Day 540/mo

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			etc.						
Upper Cape Tech		0		0		0	Fee for buildings and grounds		
Uxbridge	09/09	75/sport							950-1100 PreK
Wachusett	09/13 ↑	250/sport	Middle 50	0		260			
Wakefield	09/12	260	780 Cap	100	260 marching band 70 Instrumental music	300			4000K
Walpole	02/15	200/sport	500 individual cap 1000 fam cap	30/semester	Covers all activities	250 550 Fam Cap	200 HS Parking		3800 Full Day K 2136 to 4578 various PreK
Waltham			No Fees	0		0			
Ware	07/10	100/sport	No cap	10	6-8 week sessions	5	Parking sticker/yr		
Wareham	04/14 ↑	100-250	500 fam cap	25		0			
Watertown	05/11	175 Sports & Clubs Combo/YR		25	If not student athlete 25 MS	270			6500 PreK
Wayland	01/15 ↑	300	MS 125	0	150/yr Elem Instrumental Music	230 500 fam cap	200 HS parking		
Webster	08/07	0	Soccer/Band Boosters raised 50% Uniforms			0			
Wellesley	03/15	230	150 MS	150 HS & MS each	No fam cap Extra 100 band/orchestra	521 HS; 1142 fam cap	300 HS Parking		5200 Pre
West Boylston	05/08	225/sport	500 fam max			200	400 fam cap 150 Parking		230 PreK
West Bridgewater	03/10	100/yr		0	N/A for self sufficient organizations	0	90 one way option		5/hour Surround Care 3000/yr Full Day K
West Springfield	03/11	50 or 60 for most	100 football, 300 skiing & ice hockey; 300 fam max excluding ice hockey & skiing				30 Parking		
Westborough	05/13	200 HS & 150 MS	One fee covers all sports & activities, Fam cap of 400	200 HS & 150 MS	Combined Sports and Activity Fee	0			2625/3 half day 3500/4 half day PreK 3400 K all day
Westfield	06/09	85	150 fam cap				20 HS Parking		

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Westford	07/16 ↑	275 HS 240 MS/Sport	No fam cap	50/yr HS and MS	235 Gr 3-5 Band + Inst,	225 600 fam Cap Or 50 late bus	50 HS Parking, Sr only		4200 Full Day K
Weston	01/12	0		0		0			7400 Pre School
Westport	04/15	200/sport HS 200/sport MS	600 fam cap/yr	25/activity	100 cap/yr/student	HS 200 MS 175	375 fam cap; 50 parking	Leases buses \$3 after 5 free	No Half Day PreSchool 2 day 263/mo / 389/mo Full Days
Westwood	04/08	300/sport	900 fam max		25 MS activity fee	180/360/450	180/yr parking		
Weymouth	09/14 ↑	200/sport 400 ice hockey		50		235, 235, 120 Gr 7 th & 8 th 590 Fam Cap	100 HS parking		36/day preK childcare, 48/toddler
Whitman-Hanson	06/10	250 1st sport, then 50 each additional	600 fam cap	0		0			
Whittier Voc Tech	04/09	200/sport	400 cap						
Williamstown									5098 PreK
Wilmington		0	No Fees	0		0			2100 PreK
Winchendon	09/08	245 270 football	345 Ice Hockey; 200 each additional child			0			
Winchester	09/12	290/sport	950 fam cap per year 500 skiing	350/400	350 Elem Instrumental Music	525	920 fam cap; 20% higher if after 7/31		2500 Full day K, 1500 3 day; 3000 PreK per student 2.75 Type A Lunch
Winthrop	06/14	225/sport HS	500 student cap 750 Fam Cap	100/year intramural	For unlimited activities				Full Day K Free
Woburn		0	No Fees	0		0			Full Day K Free
Worcester									
Wrentham	05/15 ↑	75 Basketball		100	Inst music,90 theater	125	300 fam cap		2 d/wk ½ 1650; 3 d/wek ½ 2150; Full Full Day K 3250



Shrewsbury Public Schools

Joseph M. Sawyer, Ed.D. Superintendent

February 22, 2017

To: School Committee

From: Joe Sawyer

Re: FY18 Fees & Tuitions: Recommendation

After reviewing the materials provided by Mr. Collins for the previous meeting regarding the potential impact of a small percentage increase in fees and/or tuitions; reviewing the level of fees and tuitions our district charges compared to other districts around the state (where ours tend to be on the higher end); and considering that increases were instituted for the current year, it is my recommendation that the School Committee hold all fee and tuition levels at the same rates for Fiscal Year 2018.

It will continue to be important to review fees and tuitions each year and make periodic adjustments to account for cost inflation, recognizing that fees and tuitions represent a significant financial contribution by the families affected, while at the same time noting that they are a key source of revenue that preserves educational personnel and programming during a time when other sources of revenue are inadequate to sustain our district's needs.

Please note that this recommendation does not address self-sustained programs such as the Food Services program, after school instrumental lessons, and the Extended School Care program, which may be addressed at a later date.

If the School Committee concurs and wishes to have fees and tuitions remain static for the coming year, no action is necessary. A vote will be required to make any changes to rates.



SHREWSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

ITEM NO: VII. Finance & Operations MEETING DATE: 03/01/17

D. FY17 Budget: Update

SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:

Will the Committee hear an update on the Fiscal Year 2017 Budget?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- 1. Mr. Collins will provide a mid-year update on the FY 2017 Budget Status.
- 2. The report is enclosed.

ACTION RECOMMENDED:

That the School Committee hear the report and take whatever steps it deems necessary in the interests of the Shrewsbury Public Schools.

STAFF AVAILABLE FOR PRESENTATION:

Mr. Patrick C. Collins, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations



Shrewsbury Public Schools

Patrick C. Collins, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations

22 February 2017

To: School Committee

Subj: FY2017 BUDGET STATUS UPDATE

Attached you will find the mid-year FY17 Budget Status Update. It is a recap of our \$60,407,383 district operating budget as approved by Town Meeting. You will recall that this plan provided for a modest 3.3% increase over FY16 and resulted in numerous staffing adjustments by eliminating positions through attrition, reducing work schedules for a significant portion of our paraprofessional staff, and one layoff.

The enclosed report retains the new reporting format started in FY16 which expands the reportable categories from 11 to 19 while remaining to be a high-level, one page summary.

For context it is important to note that reported expenditures and encumbrances are as of 2/17/2017 which is approximately 67% of the way through our fiscal year and 56% into the school year.

At this juncture, I would characterize the FY17 budget as stable with a modest [less than 1%] surplus projected. I am projecting that we will exceed our budget in several payroll categories but realize some positive variances from tuition accounts.

- -Category A3, Aides, ABA, Paraprofessionals is heading towards year-end deficit due to additional unbudgeted staff hired to meet special education and English language learner mandates and the loss of the Quality Full-Day Kindergarten Grant.
- -Category A5, Substitutes is projected to end the year at approximately \$825,000 given the existing trend. This is a highly variable category of budget contingent upon staff maternity/paternity leaves and other medical leaves or absences. The new policy of paying long-term substitutes \$200/day seems to be having a positive fiscal impact without compromising our prospective labor pool.
- -Category A7, Employee Benefits, is also projected to run over-budget assuming higher-than-budgeted tuition reimbursement.
- -Category C1, This is the most volatile segment of our budget and a year-end surplus of approximately \$443,000 is projected at this point in the year. While there are lots of individual student placement changes from time of budget setting to end of fiscal year, it is interesting to note that we had budgeted for one student to be in a \$335,000 placement but were able to keep that student in district thus far, realizing significant savings.

-Catgeory C2, Other Tuitions, has experienced a significant difference in vocational enrollment budget [budgeted students was 131 and actual is108] versus actual due to Assabet Valley Regional Technical High School modifying its acceptance policy for non-member towns. We had budgeted for thirty-five ninth grade students to be accepted and only eighteen were enrolled.

With respect to discretionary categories for supplies, materials, and professional development expenses, I have made year-end forecast assuming we will fully expend but not exceed those categories.

In sum, the current projection has us within .82% of our overall budget plan with a small positive variance.

Finally, it is important to note that I will continue to closely monitor our expenditures as we progress through the year and I will make another report to the committee in late June. Of course, that report will reflect more months of experience behind us and be a refined estimate of total year-end projected expenditures.

Shrewsbury Public Schools FY2017 Operating Budget As of February 17, 2017

School Committee Recap Sheet	Description	Total Budget	YTD Actual	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance		Year End Projection		Dollar Variance	Percent Variance	Notes
A1	Administrative Central Office, Principals & Unit B	\$ 2,772,596	\$ 1,799,679	\$ 942,265	\$ 30,652	\$	2,782,051	\$	(9,455)	-0.3%	Tracking close to budget at this point
A2	Unit A (Teachers & Nurses)	\$ 36,482,869	\$ 18,283,645	\$ 17,903,025	\$ 296,199	\$	36,480,170	\$	2,699	0.0%	Tracking close to budget at this point
A3	Aides/ABA/Paraprofessionals	\$ 5,884,240	\$ 3,299,716	\$ 2,338,886	\$ 245,638	\$	6,002,500	\$	(118,260)	-2.0%	Deficit due to add'l Spec. Educ. staff required
A4	Secretaries, Technology & Other Non-Represented	\$ 1,942,597	\$ 1,085,017	\$ 764,016	\$ 93,564	\$	1,929,733		12,864	0.7%	Tracking close to budget at this point
A5	Substitutes - Daily, Long Term & Sub Nurses	\$ 814,600	\$ 387,798	\$	\$ 426,802	\$	824,528	\$	(9,928)	-1.2%	YTD trend indicates small, year-end deficit
A6	Other Wages (See Note 1)	\$ 769,282	\$ 578,430	\$ 2,138	\$ 188,714		776,568		(7,286)	-0.9%	Tracking close to budget at this point
A7	Employee Benefits	\$ 289,500	\$ 101,660	\$	\$ 187,840	\$	295,760	\$	(6,260)	-2.2%	Tuition reim., Sick leave sell-back, LTD insurance
B1	Regular Education & Voke Transportation	\$ 1,973,667	\$ 1,140,310	\$ 836,187	\$ (2,830)) \$	1,981,857	\$	(8,190)	-0.4%	Net of \$645K in fee revenue
B2	Special Education Transportation	\$ 343,365	\$ 318,283	\$ 179,075	\$ (153,993)	\$	522,298	\$	(178,933)	reconstruction to	Out of district and in-district expenses outpacing gran
C1	Special Education Tuitions (See Note 2)	\$ 3,722,564	\$ 1,998,429	\$ 1,049,628	\$ 674,507	\$	3,280,000		442,564	11.9%	Net of of \$3.5M in Circuit Breaker.
C2	Other Tuitions: Vocational and Alternative High School:	\$ 2,210,180	\$ 904,121	\$ 882,829	\$ 423,230	\$	1,806,785	99900	403,395	18.3%	Budgeted for 131 and 108 attending as of 10/1
D1	Administrative Contracted Services	\$ 515,961	\$ 465,242	\$ 169,598	\$ (118,879)		654,667		(138,706)	-26.9%	Unxpected deficit due to special education expenses
D2	Educational Contracted Services	\$ 700,760	\$ 246,816	\$ 255,291	\$ 198,653	\$	603,321	\$	97,439	13.9%	Spec. Educ. contractors, tutors, translation svcs
D3	Textbooks/Curriculum Materials	\$ 207,935	\$ 215,133	\$ 4,622	\$ (11,820)	\$	219,935	\$	(12,000)	-6%	Expect to be on budget at year end
D4	Professional Development	\$ 227,587	\$ 151,552	\$ 14,666	\$ 61,369	\$	215,587	\$	12,000	5%	Expect to be on budget at year end
D5	Educational Supplies & Materials	\$ 239,368	\$ 157,861	\$ 45,734	35,773		239,368		-	0%	Expect to be on budget at year end
D6	Other Miscellaneous (i.e. Off. Supp., Ref. Mat.)	\$ 633,194	\$ 434,515	\$ 70,769	\$ 127,910	00000	633,194	950000	-	0%	Expect to be on budget at year end
D7	Equipment	\$ 592,118	\$ 585,301	\$	\$ 6,817	\$	592,118		-	0%	Expect to be on budget at year end
D8	Utilities - Telephone Exp.	\$ 85,000	\$ 53,669	\$ 518	\$ 30,813	\$	72,187	ALT-YES	12,813	TOTAL NOTICE STREET	Expect to be on budget at year end

Total FY16 Budget: \$	60,407,383 \$	32,207,177 \$	25,459,247 \$	2,740,959 \$ 59,9	12,627 \$	494,756	0.82%	
Percent	100%	53.3%	42.1%	4.5%				

Note 1 Other Wages includes custodian & police details, extra duty & mentoring stipends, Summer Special Education salaries, and crossing guards.

Note 2 SPED Tuition projection year ending is net Special Education Circuit Breaker Reimbursement funding.



SHREWSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

ITEM NO: VIII. Old Business	MEETING DATE:	03/01/17
SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:		
BACKGROUND INFORMATION:		
ACTION RECOMMENDED:		
MEMBERS/STAFF AVAILABLE FOR PRESENTATION:		



SHREWSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

ITEM NO: IX. New Business MEETING DATE: 03/01/17

A. Shrewsbury Education Association Unit B Contract: Vote to Ratify

SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:

Will the Committee vote to ratify the contract with Shrewsbury Education Association Unit B?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- 1. The contract negotiation with the Shrewsbury Education Association, Unit B has been concluded, and the Unit B members voted to approve the changes on February 15, 2017.
- 2. The three-year contract is effective with the current school year (FY17, FY18, and FY19), and changes are noted in the attached memo from Ms. Malone.
- 3. Dr. Dale Magee and Ms. Erin Canzano were the School Committee representatives on the bargaining committee.

ACTION RECOMMENDED:

That the Committee vote to ratify the contract with the Shrewsbury Education Association Unit B per the terms outlined in the Memorandum of Agreement.

STAFF AVAILABLE FOR PRESENTATION:

Dr. Joseph M. Sawyer, Superintendent of Schools Ms. Barbara Malone, Director of Human Resources



Shrewsbury Public Schools

Barbara A. Malone Director of Human Resources

March 1, 2017

To: Shrewsbury School Committee

Mr. Dan Morgado, Town Manager

Re: Shrewsbury Education Association Unit B Contract Negotiations

The contract negotiation with the Shrewsbury Education Association, Unit B has been concluded, and the Unit B members voted to approve the changes on February 15, 2017. Dr. Dale Magee and Ms. Erin Canzano were School Committee representatives on the bargaining committee.

We were able to negotiate a three-year contract, effective with the current school year (FY 17, FY 18, and FY 19).

Contract changes from the previous contract include:

- Cost of living increases of 2% for each of the three contract years
- Addition of Step 10 in year 3 of the contract
- Reduction of 1 work day in year 2 of the contract (and remains at that level for year 3 of the contract)
- Elimination of sick leave buy back upon retirement for external employees hired to commence work with the 2017-2018 school year and the introduction of a 403(b) donation, which results in cost savings for the district over time. Internal employees will continue under their current Unit A plan, which could be either sick leave upon retirement, or the 403 (b) payment
- The ability for the elementary aged children of employees who are also Shrewsbury residents to attend the school at which their parent is employed
- Bereavement time extended for the loss of a niece or nephew
- Other minor changes

I am asking the School Committee and Mr. Morgado to vote to approve the new contract. Please see the attached wage chart.

Thank you for your continued support.

Unit B Salary Charts 2.15.2017

FY 17 2% increase

Step	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
AP SHS	96,827	99,149	100,844	102,540	104,234	105,929	107,940	113,581	115,853	n/a
AP MS/ES	93,637	95,978	97,619	99,260	100,899	102,540	104,488	107,151	109,294	n/a
AD	86,360	88,519	90,731	93,001	95,325	97,708	100,151	102,654	104,707	n/a

FY 18 2% increase and reduce days worked by 1

Step	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
AP SHS	98,763	101,132	102,861	104,590	106,318	108,048	110,099	115,853	118,170	n/a
AP MS/ES	95,510	97,897	99,571	101,245	102,917	104,590	106,578	109,294	111,480	n/a
AD	88,088	90,289	92,546	94,861	97,232	99,662	102,154	104,707	106,801	n/a

FY 19 2% increase, days same as FY 18, add Step 10, which is 2% higher than Step 9

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94,397	96,758	99,176	101,655	104,197	106,801	108,937	111,116
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Work Days

FY	FY17	FY18	FY19
AP SHS	216	215	215
AP MS/ES	209	208	208
AD	209	208	208

SHREWSBURY SCHOOL COMMITTEE AND SHREWSBURY EDUCATION ASSOCIATION UNIT B

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This **MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT** is entered into by and between the Shrewsbury School Committee ("Committee") and the Shrewsbury Education Association, Unit B ("Unit B").

WHEREAS, the Committee and Unit B have entered into a Collective Bargaining Agreement for the period of July 1, 2013, through and including June 30, 2016; and,

WHEREAS, the duly-authorized representatives of the Committee and the duly authorized representatives of Unit B have met, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 150E, to negotiate a successor agreement; and

WHEREAS, said representatives of the Committee and Unit B have, subject to ratification by the membership of the Committee and Unit B, agreed to a successor agreement for the period of July 1, 2016 through and including June 30, 2019,

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of mutual promises and covenants, the parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Prior Agreement

The Collective Bargaining Agreement in effect for the period July 1, 2013, through and including June 30, 2016, shall be in full force and effect for the period July 1, 2016 through and including June 30, 2019, except as modified by this **MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT**

2. ARTICLE III--CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

B. WORK YEAR 2016-2017

- 2 % COLA, Steps
- Work Days:

0	High School Assistant Principal	216
0	Middle School Assistant Principal	209
0	Elementary Assistant Principal	209
0	Athletic Director	209

2017-2018

- 2 % COLA, Steps
- Work Days:

High School Assistant Principal
 Middle School Assistant Principal
 Elementary Assistant Principal
 Athletic Director
 208
 208

2018-2019

- 2 % COLA, Steps
- New Step (10), which shall be 2% higher than Step 9 in this year
- Work Days:

High School Assistant Principal
 Middle School Assistant Principal
 Elementary Assistant Principal
 Athletic Director
 208
 208

3. ARTICLE II--SALARIES

C.(3) MCAS Remediation

- a. July 1, 2016 \$1,000
- b. July 1, 2017 \$1,000
- c. July 1, 2018 \$1,000

4. ARTICLE III--CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT

A. Add language: In the event that school is cancelled and the Superintendent of Schools grants work from home to principals as an option, assistant principals shall also have the option to work from home.

5. ARTICLE IV---PROFESSIONAL IMPROVEMENT

- A. The assistant principal shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses associated with attending conferences and meetings, subject to the prior approval of the Superintendent. \$1,800 for graduate courses and professional workshops that contribute to the professional development and/or recertification needs for all licenses held...(bold print designates the change in wording)
- B. An annual allowance, subject to the approval of the Superintendent, of **\$520** for professional memberships, will be provided for each assistant principal covered by this Agreement

6. ARTICLE V--LEAVES OF ABSENCE

B. (3) Replace with: Up to five (5) school days at any one time in the event of death in the immediate family. Immediate family is construed to include only parent, parent-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, wife, husband, domestic partner, child, stepchild, brother or sister, or person residing in the immediate household as approved by the

Superintendent of Schools. Three (3) days shall be provided in the event of the death of a brother-in-law or sister-in-law. **Two (2) days shall be provided in the event of a death of a niece or nephew.** One (1) day shall be provided in the event of the death of an extended family member not listed above. If needed, additional bereavement days may be requested and granted at the discretion of the Superintendent of Schools.

7. ARTICLE XI-TRAVEL MILEAGE

Strike "not presently covered by a Committee voted amount"

Add: The Athletic Director will receive **\$480** per year car reimbursement in two equal payments-December 1st and June 1st for school required travel within a radius of twenty (20) miles of Shrewsbury. Required and authorized travel beyond the twenty (20) mile radius will be reimbursed at the committee system wide per mileage rate as measured from Shrewsbury plus tolls and parking reimbursements

8. ARTICLE XII--LEAVE

A. SICK LEAVE UPON RETIREMENT

- (1) Upon retirement (not termination for any other reason), the Unit "B" employees shall be paid for unused accumulated Sick Days, cash, up to but not in excess of thirty-five (35) days of unused accumulated Sick Leave, adjusted by ratio to the longer work year for Unit B employees, provided the following conditions are met: a) retirement is effective June 30th; b) written notice of such retirement is provided to the Superintendent by the December 1 preceding retirement, **and employee was hired prior to the 2017-2018 school year.**
- (2) Unit "B" employees hired from within Shrewsbury Public Schools to commence work in the 2017-2018 school year and thereafter shall be eligible for the Unit A retirement plan that they are currently in prior to promotion. This means that Unit A employees currently in a sick leave upon retirement plan will receive the plan outlined in (1) above as a Unit B employee. Unit A employees currently in a 403(b) plan will continue with such plan (no additional benefit). Unit "B" employees hired from outside the district shall be eligible to receive a one-time contribution to a 403(b) plan established pursuant to school department guidelines. Such contribution shall be made in the amount of \$750 to be paid in the second October payroll in the year in which the Unit "B" employee attains professional status.
- 9. NEW ARTICLE XIII-- School Enrollment of Resident Employees' Children
 Bargaining unit employees whose children attend Shrewsbury Public
 Schools as residents of Shrewsbury may request that their child be enrolled in a school that is different from their normally assigned school, if the bargaining unit employee works at the other school. Enrollment of the student in a different

school other than assigned where the bargaining unit employee works, is subject to the approval of the Superintendent.

In making this determination, the Superintendent will consider various factors, including grade configuration and class sizes at the school where the student would attend. If the student in question receives special education services, the student's IEP program placement shall take precedence. If a child of a bargaining unit employee is not a Shrewsbury resident, but is enrolled in Shrewsbury Public Schools through interdistrict school choice or any other such program, the school assignment will be governed first by the school choice or other program that allows enrollment, as seats in such program may not be available in a school where the bargaining unit employee works. If the bargaining unit employee is transferred from the school in a subsequent year, the student may be allowed to remain in the school where s/he is enrolled through the last grade in said school.

Any transfer of a child of a bargaining unit employee may be revoked by the Superintendent if it is judged that the arrangement is resulting in substantial disruption to the child's education or the bargaining unit employee's duties. If the Superintendent does revoke placement as described above, the bargaining unit employee may request a meeting to discuss the revoking of the placement, and this meeting shall take place with the Superintendent and/or his/her designee. The bargaining unit employee is responsible for requesting SEA representation for this meeting.

If a child of a bargaining unit employee is approved for enrollment at a school other than assigned, the bargaining unit employee is responsible for transporting the child to and from school. If a child of a bargaining unit employee is declined for enrollment at a school other than assigned, the bargaining unit employee may request a meeting to discuss the declination of the placement, and this meeting shall take place with the Superintendent and/or his/her designee. After such meeting regarding a declined or revoked enrollment, the decision of the Superintendent is final and shall not be subject to the grievance or arbitration processes.

- 10. CURRENT ARTICLE XIII DURATION SHALL BECOME ARTICLE XIV
- 11. CURRENT ARTICLE XIV SHALL BECOME ARTICLE XV

Signed February 10, 2017:
For Unit B:
Anne Koertge/Date
Gerald "PJ" O'Connell/Date
For the School Committee:
B. Dale Magee/Date
Barbara Malone/Date



SHREWSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

ITEM NO: X. Approval of Minutes MEETING DATE: 03/01/17

SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:

Will the Committee approve the minutes of the School Committee meeting on February 8, 2017?

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

1. The minutes are enclosed.

ACTION RECOMMENDED:

That the Committee approve the minutes of the School Committee meeting on February 8, 2017.

STAFF AVAILABLE FOR PRESENTATION:

Ms. Sandra Fryc, Chairperson Mr. Jon Wensky, Secretary

SHREWSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS 100 MAPLE AVENUE SHREWSBURY, MASSACHUSETTS

MINUTES OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, February 8, 2017

Present: Ms. Sandy Fryc, Chairperson; Dr. Dale Magee, Vice Chairperson; Mr. Jon Wensky, Secretary; Mr. John Samia; Mr. Patrick Collins, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations; Ms. Barb Malone, Director of Human Resources; and Dr. Joseph Sawyer, Superintendent of Schools.

Ms. Erin Canzano, School Committee Member, and Ms. Mary Beth Banios, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, were not present for the meeting.

A complete audio/visual recording of this meeting is available on the Shrewsbury Public Schools website.

The meeting was convened by Ms. Fryc at 7:02 pm.

I. Public Participation

Shrewsbury resident Ben Tartaglia addressed the Committee and asked if Shrewsbury Public Schools (SPS) are obligated to offer Full Day Kindergarten (FDK) by state law, then asked if SPS is obligated to offer Half Day Kindergarten (HDK). Dr. Sawyer advised that SPS is not mandated to offer FDK, but must provide HDK to all students. Dr. Sawyer also noted that FDK is educationally better for students, is academically similar to what first grade was in the past, is in-demand by parents, has an associated tuition fee for any student that is not mandated to receive FDK services. He also added that students who are mandated per their special education plans to have FDK must be in a learning environment with typically developing peers.

II. Chairperson's Report & Members' Reports

None.

III. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Sawyer reported that he attended a ceremony honoring Little Colonials Preschool student Bryce Babigian, who received the *Young Hero Award* from the State Fire Marshal's Office. Bryce was recognized for utilizing skills he learned in a Shrewsbury Fire Department education program to protect his family when they had a home fire in December 2016. Dr. Sawyer congratulated the Shrewsbury High School (SHS) Speech and Debate Team on their recent

success at the New England District Tournament, which was hosted at Sherwood Middle School. Several members of the team qualified to attend the National Speech & Debate Association National Tournament in Birmingham, Alabama in June. Shrewsbury also earned the school Speech Sweepstakes for this year's tournament results, the District Trophy which represents cumulative competition at the district tournament over several years, and the Leading Chapter Award signifying the strength of student participation in the program. Dr. Sawyer noted he attended a program at the Beal Early Childhood Center (BECC) called *Beal Reads 20*, which encourages families to spend twenty minutes each night reading together, and finally he advised that, due to a coming storm, schools would be closed on Thursday, February 9, 2017.

IV. Time Scheduled Appointments:

A. Donation for Emergency Response Equipment & Training: Vote

Noelle Freeman, Director of Nursing, advised the Committee that an anonymous donor reached out to SPS regarding needs for emergency equipment in the district. This outreach resulted in a generous donation that would be utilized to purchase three automated external defibrillators, tourniquets, and staff CPR and first aid training that has historically had to be paid for by SPS staff. Dr. Sawyer thanked Ms. Freeman for working to develop a plan that appealed to the donor, thanked the anonymous individual for their very generous donation, and recommended that the Committee vote to accept the donation.

On a motion by Mr. Samia, seconded by Dr. Magee, the Committee to voted unanimously to accept a donation of \$10,000 from an anonymous donor to be used for emergency response equipment, emergency response equipment maintenance, emergency supplies, and training.

B. Special Education Program & Budget: Annual Report

Ms. Meg Belsito, Director of Special Education and Pupil Personnel Services, began by thanking the district Administration and Leadership teams, Special Education staff, and the special education parent community, for assisting her transition to her new role as Director.

Ms. Belsito's report included information on the department's mission, vision, initiatives and student enrollment. She provided a Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) disability category breakdown, information on 504 Accommodation Plans and Individual Education Plans (IEP), discussed services by placement, and noted the myriad of services available in SPS. Ms. Belsito provided Out of District (OOD) Projections for Fiscal Years 2017-2020, noted the Total Net Tuition-OOD Operating Program Budget shows an expected net increase of \$829,124, and discussed expenses associated with Contracted Services and Extended School Year education. Recommendations for consideration in the report included three positions with no new Full Time Equivalent (FTE) required, and several positions that would require new FTEs. Ms. Belsito concluded by noting that it was evident through their 2016 Coordinated Program Review that SPS has exemplary systems in place for educating all students.

The Committee asked clarifying questions about costs relative to the Extended School Year and Summer Services Program, and Mr. Collins advised that there was high variability due to specific student information not being available when estimates are derived, and that best estimates are based on past trends. Dr. Sawyer added that he was pleased with the level of detailed planning Ms. Belsito and her team were utilizing to prepare for the approaching summer program, which straddles the FY 17 and FY 18 fiscal years. When asked about long term trends, Ms. Belsito noted an uptick in move-ins to Educational Learning Centers (ELC), advised that the numbers for preschool and elementary students requiring services was not low, and added that 26 students at Parker Road Preschool might qualify for ELC programs. In response to questioning about OOD tuitions, Ms. Belsito advised that current costs were less than last year's, but noted that five schools recently restructured their rates from 5 to 22%, which would result in additional expenses of over \$100,000 for SPS. She added that the district is notified of increases in OOD tuition, but has no control over the increases, and Dr. Sawyer noted that this is a structural issue at the state level. Ms. Belsito also provided additional detail on the positions recommended for consideration

Dr. Sawyer thanked Ms. Belsito and her team for their work. He noted that since starting in the position, Ms. Belsito has worked with SPS staff and community families to make the strong special education programs and services at SPS even better.

V. Curriculum

A. SHS Program of Studies 2017-2018: Vote

Ms. Fryc noted that Todd Bazydlo, Shrewsbury High School Principal, gave a presentation of proposed changes to the Program of Studies at the January 25, 2017, School Committee meeting. There was no public feedback, and no questions or comments from the Committee.

On a motion by Mr. Samia, seconded by Mr. Wensky, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the proposed changes to the Shrewsbury High School 2017-2018 Program of Studies.

VI. Policy

A. School Year Calendar for 2017-2018: Discussion

Dr. Sawyer advised that the draft calendar being presented was very similar to the current 2016-2017 school calendar, and was based on recommendations and feedback from last year's Calendar Committee. He noted one significant change was the shift of the traditional parent conference day, typically held on the Tuesday election day in November, to the Thursday prior to observing Veterans Day on Friday, November 10. Dr. Sawyer noted that there is no election scheduled for this November, and that that Veterans Day, which occurs on a Saturday, was being

observed on the Friday prior to the holiday. This change would result in students having four consecutive days off.

Dr. Sawyer noted the draft would be posted on the website for public viewing, and requested that the Committee vote on the calendar at their March 1, 2017, meeting.

VII.Finance & Operations A. Fiscal 2018 Budget Development Status Update

Mr. Collins advised the Committee that Town Manager Dan Morgado's Budget Recommendation made on January 27, 2017, of \$61,600,000 represented a 1.97% increase over the current year, and fell \$2,483,917 short of the Superintendent's Initial Budget Recommendation of \$64,083,917 for FY 2018. He noted that while this is a large gap, Mr. Morgado takes a conservative approach to budgeting, and that historically revenue estimates tend to get better over time.

Mr. Collins presented a timeline of events going forward, and noted that the Superintendent's Budget Reduction Plan would be presented to the Committee at their March 15, 2017 meeting. Mr. Samia noted that as per request, the Superintendent's Initial Budget Recommendation met School Committee guidelines. Mr. Collins added that school department budgeting is different from other environments in that a spending plan must be derived in advance of knowing how much revenue will be available. Dr Sawyer added that the gap between the two initial Budget Recommendations was procedural versus philosophical, noting that while he is initially tasked with presenting a carry-forward budget, things must balance at the end of Town Manager's process, and he thanked Mr. Morgado for his ongoing support of SPS. Dr. Sawyer added that there will be a required public hearing on the Superintendent's Initial Budget Recommendation at the School Committee meeting on March 1, 2017.

B. Fiscal Projection Subcommittee: Report

Mr. Samia began by acknowledging the work of Dr. B. Dale Magee, School Committee Vice Chairperson, his colleague on the Fiscal Projection Subcommittee, who gave a presentation on demystifying the budget process at the School Committee meeting on January 1, 2017. Mr. Samia's 5-Year Fiscal Projection presentation described the goals of the Subcommittee, provided a recap of the budget information presented by Dr. Magee, illustrated the School Department's Appropriated Budget history from FY 2008- FY 2017, noting that with per pupil spending in the bottom 20% of districts, SPS is very efficient at providing students with a quality education.

Mr. Samia described his approach to developing a high-level 5-year projection, and detailed the assumptions that were incorporated around mandates, grants, state funding, appropriated school revenue increases, and school expenses. Mr. Samia advised that his FY 2018- FY 2022 projection indicates that SPS will face widening structural deficits over the next five years. Noting that with personnel comprising approximately 80% of the budget, headcount reductions

would be required to close the gap, and this would result in increased class sizes and a compromised education program. Mr. Samia advised that State and Federal revenues should not be expected to to close the gap, and closed his presentation with the Essential Question that Dr. Sawyer posed at his January 25, 2017 Budget Recommendation presentation to the School Committee:

What will our community do to solve the structural funding dilemma that jeopardizes the future quality of public education in Shrewsbury?

Ms. Fryc thanked Mr. Samia and Dr. Magee for their work on the the Subcommittee, and for developing this information as a "tool for discussion." Committee members went on to note that while SPS has recently seen a decrease in students leaving for charter schools, charter school enrollment is one of many unknown factors for future years; going forward, all inflationary pressure will be on the town budget; and 3% year over year increases in expenses to the district are reasonable and predictable.

Dr. Sawyer thanked Mr. Samia and Dr. Magee for their work, noted that the budget presents a predictable challenge, and advised that the Fiscal Projections Subcommittee had defined the problem well and presented it in an understandable way. He noted the next step would be to answer the question "What are we going to do about it?" Dr. Sawyer also discussed the "opportunity costs" that result from staff time being spent on determining ways to cut the budget, instead of being utilized to find ways to improve the program, and added that a high level of education would be increasingly critical in future years to ensure that individuals can support themselves and their families financially. Dr. Sawyer thanked the Subcommittee again for their work, and noted that the information presented would be particularly beneficial to the (as yet undetermined) incoming Shrewsbury Town Manager.

C. Fees & Tuitions for FY 2018: Report & Recommendations

Mr. Collins advised that information on Fees and Tuition was being presented early in the FY18 budget development process as per a request from the Committee. He noted that the memo and spreadsheet showed, by program, FY18 budgeted total revenue assuming no increase and also the impact of a 2% and 3% rate increase. Mr. Collins added that the report did not include recommendations for potential rate increases for the Extended School Care Program and Food Service Program, which would be addressed later in the process.

Dr. Magee noted that while the Committee preferred to not have fees at all, he felt that small increases in fees each year might be born with less strain than larger increases that are spaced farther apart. Ms. Fryc noted that this information would be revisited and open for discussion at the Public Hearing on March 1, 2017, and that Mr. Collins' report would be available to the public on the SPS website in advance of the meeting.

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

None.

X. Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Dr. Magee, seconded by Mr. Samia, the Committee voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the School Committee meeting on January 25, 2017.

XI. Executive Session

Ms. Fryc requested a motion to adjourn to Executive Session for the purposes of collective bargaining with the Shrewsbury Education Association, Unit B, where deliberation in an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body, as well as a student residency request, and at the conclusion of Executive Session to return to open session for the purpose of adjourning only. On a motion by Mr. Wensky, seconded by Dr. Magee, on a roll call vote: Mr. Samia, yes; Mr. Wensky, yes; Dr. Magee, yes; Ms. Fryc, yes, the Committee voted to adjourn to Executive Session at 8:45 pm.

XII. Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Samia, seconded by Mr. Wensky, the committee unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 9:32 pm. Roll call votes were as follows: Mr. Samia, yes; Mr. Wensky, yes; Dr. Magee, yes; Ms. Fryc, yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth McCollum, Clerk

Documents referenced:

- 1. Special Education Annual Report
- 2. Special Education Annual Report Slide Presentation
- 3. School Year Calendar 2017-18 Draft
- 4. FY 2018 Budget Update Slide Presentation
- 5. FY 2018 Fee Projection Spreadsheet
- 6. FY 2018 Fee Memo
- 7. Fiscal Projection Subcommittee Slide Presentation
- 8. Emergency Response Equipment Donation Memo



SHREWSBURY PUBLIC SCHOOLS SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING

ITEM NO: XI. Executive Session	MEETING DATE:	03/01/17
SPECIFIC STATEMENT OR QUESTION:		
BACKGROUND INFORMATION:		
ACTION RECOMMENDED:		
STAFF AVAILABLE FOR PRESENTATION:		
ITEM NO: XII. Adjournment		